Lincoln Lee Gibbs, 59

The funeral for Lincoln Gibbs, 59, Claremont, was held Thursday, April 29 at the United Methodist Church, Claremont, with the Rev. James Cissell officiating. Burial was in Sunset Memorial Gardens, Aberdeen. A prayer service was held at Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton, Wednesday evening.

Lincoln Lee Gibbs was born January 3, 1934 to Bert and Melva (Swenson) Gibbs at Britton, S.D. He grew up in the Claremont area, graduating from Claremont High School in 1952. He was a member of the undefeated six-man football team at Claremont. He attended Northern State College, Aberdeen.

He married Yvonne Andrews, September 14, 1953 at Claremont. In 1956, he started

working for the First State Bank of Claremont. He served as cashier, vice president and director of the bank. He also served as an insurance agent for

the Claremont and Columbia agencies at the bank.

He was a member of the United Methodist Church, Claremont, past member of the Claremont Community Club, and served as a volunteer fireman. He has been on the board of directors for the James Valley Cooperative Telephone Co., since 1973. He had served as treasurer, vice president and president of the board. He was also one of the original incorporators and directors of ACCENT Communications Inc. He has served

as president since 1984. He was an avid sports fan.

He is survived by his wife, Yvonne, Claremont; two sons, Brett Gibbs, Willow City, N.D., and Iver Gibbs, Dallas, Texas; four daughters, Mrs. Don (Suzanne) Ogren, Langford; Mrs. Rod (Patti) Bailey, Champlin, Minn.; Mrs. Tim (Heidi) Steffensen, Kennebec; and Mrs. Dennis (Lisa) Waletich, Langford. His mother, Mrs. Melva Gibbs, Claremont; one brother, Don Gibbs, Aberdeen; two sisters, Mrs. Dale (Kathleen) Cutler, Claremont; Mrs. Jan (Carolyn) Hanson, Groton; and 12 grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his father.

The casketbearers, all nephews, were Bruce Cutler, Dan Cutler, Mark Cutler, Mike Cutler, Brad Hanson, Bryan Hanson, Lance Hanson and Tim

Zoellner.

Organist was Joan Thompson. Pianist was Sue Stanley. A duet was performed by Scott and Tamara Mathews. Ushers were Bill Richter, Tom Dunlaw, Sherm Cutler and Steve Cutler.